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For: NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE, METHOD AND KIT FOR SELECTING A  
NUCLEIC ACID HAVING A DESIRED FEATURE

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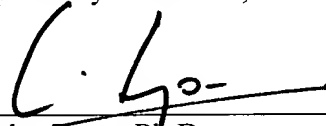
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- 1) Response to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 (13 pages);
- 2) Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) (1 page);
- 3) A check pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) in the amount of \$475.00;
- 4) Statement of Limited Recognition Under 37 C.F.R. §10.9(b) (1 page); and
- 5) Return Postcard.

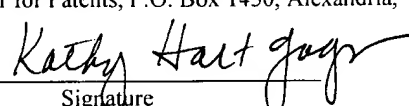
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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